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Re: U.S. Patent Application
No. 09/345,761
Your Ref.: Q54969
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Dear Sirs:

We enclose a Search Report and cited reference(s) in the corresponding
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With best regards,

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